

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please replace the paragraph on page 10, lines 16-19 with the following amended paragraph:

To improve the mode selection, relief structures 30 (for example in the form of Fresnel lenses 30) can also be used in the mirror layers. Modulation dopings may also contribute to improving the mode selection.

Please replace the paragraph on page 10, lines 21-23 with the following amended paragraph:

The introduction of spacer layers 20, in particular between the active zone 4 and the absorber means 5, improves the mode selection.